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40 CFR Part 147

State of Tennessee; Underground Injection Control (UIC) Program Primacy

AGENCY: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of public comment period and of public hearing.

SUMMARY: The purpose of this notice is to announce that: 1 the EPA has received a complete application from the State of Tennessee requesting approval of its Underground Injection Control program; 2 the EPA has determined the application contains all the required elements; 3 the application is available for inspection and copying at the address appearing below; 4 public comments are requested; and (5) a public hearing will be held.

DATES: Requests for a public hearing and/or to present oral testimony must be received by May 31, 2012; if determined to be warranted, the Public Hearing will be held on June 7, 2012 at 1:00 p.m. Requests to testify may be mailed to Fred McManus, Chief, Ground Water and SDWA Enforcement Section, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 4, 61 Forsyth Street, SW, Atlanta, Georgia 30303. If it is determined that a hearing is

warranted, it will be held on the 17<sup>th</sup> Floor Conference Room B, L&C Tower, 401 Church Street, Nashville, Tennessee 37243. Comments will be accepted until June 14, 2012. The EPA will determine by June 4, 2012, whether there is sufficient interest to warrant a public hearing. Contact Nancy H. Marsh to determine if a hearing is warranted (see the FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT section).

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments, identified by Docket ID No. **EPA-HQ-OW-2011-0520**, by one of the following methods:

- <u>www.regulations.gov</u>: Follow the on-line instructions for submitting comments.
- Email: marsh.nancy@epa.gov.
- Fax: (404) 562-9439.
- Mail: State of Tennessee; Underground Injection Control (UIC) Program
   Primacy, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Mailcode: 2822T,
   1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460. Hand Delivery:
   Water Docket, EPA Docket Center (EPA/DC) EPA West, Room 3334,
   1301 Constitution Ave., NW, Washington, DC. Such deliveries are only
   accepted during the Docket's normal hours of operation, and special
   arrangements should be made for deliveries of boxed information.

*Instructions:* Direct your comments to Docket ID No. **EPA-HQ-OW-2011-0520**. EPA's policy is that all comments received will be included in the public docket without change and may be made available online at <a href="www.regulations.gov">www.regulations.gov</a>, including any personal information provided, unless the comment includes information claimed to be

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Docket: All documents in the docket are listed in the <a href="www.regulations.gov">www.regulations.gov</a> index.

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U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 4, Library, 9<sup>th</sup> Floor, 61 Forsyth Street, SW, Atlanta, Georgia 30303. The Library is open from 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The telephone number for the Library is (404) 562-8190.

Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor, 401Church Street, Nashville, Tennessee 32743, The Library is open from 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The telephone number for the Library is (615) 532-0191.

State of Tennessee; Underground Injection Control (UIC) Program Primacy Docket, EPA/DC, EPA West, Room 3334, 1301 Constitution Ave., NW, Washington, DC. The Public Reading Room is open from 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The telephone number for the Public Reading Room is (202) 566-1744, and the telephone number for the OW Docket is (202) 566-2426.

## FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Nancy H. Marsh, Safe Drinking Water Branch, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 4, 61 Forsyth Street, SW, Atlanta, Georgia 30303; telephone number: 404-562-9450. Fax number: 404-562-9439; email address: marsh.nancy@epa.gov. Comments should also be sent to this address.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The State of Tennessee has submitted an application to regulate Class I, II, III, IV and V injection wells in the State. The application was determined to be complete because it included all of the requirements of

40 CFR § 145.22(a): a letter from the Governor requesting program approval; a complete description

of the State Underground Injection Control program; a statement of legal authority; a memorandum of

agreement between the State of Tennessee and the EPA, Region 4; copies of all applicable rules and

forms; and a showing of the State's public participation process prior to program submission.

Date: April 19, 2012

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Acting Regional Administrator, Region 4.

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